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Letter of Information – Senate Bill 516- Cannabis Reform

Potomac Electric Power Company (Pepco) and Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delmarva Power) respectfully submit this letter of information on *Senate Bill 516- Cannabis Reform*. Senate Bill 516 establishes a regulatory and licensing system for adult-use cannabis in Maryland.

Pepco and Delmarva Power recognize that the Senate version of this legislation currently includes provisions that do not prohibit an employer from hiring or disciplining an employee for testing positive for cannabis if the testing was conducted in accordance with the employer's established drug testing policy. However, the cross file of this legislation, House Bill 556, was amended to remove these employer protections. Given the dangerous conditions under which many employees of Pepco and Delmarva Power work, Pepco and Delmarva Power must be able to keep our employees and even the general public safe. Establishing and enforcing a zero-tolerance drug policy is imperative for industries such as ours.

Accordingly, Pepco and Delmarva Power respectfully request that the Senate keep the employer provisions outlined in section 36-1301 of Senate Bill 516 for the reasons outlined above.

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